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SUBJECT: LOSS OF LIVES AND HELICOPTERS IN ERADICATION  
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FOR AMBASSADOR JOVA FROM VANCE

1. WE ARE SADDENED TO LEARN OF THE TWO UNFORTUNATE INCIDENTS INVOLVING DEATH AND INJURY TO MEXICANS ABOARD THE HELICOPTERS THAT CRASHED ON SEPTEMBER 18 AND SEPTEMBER 23. PLEASE CONVEY MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE ALONG FOLLOWING LINES TO ATTORNEY GENERAL OJEDA PAULLADA AND OFFER HIM MY PERSONAL EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY: BEGIN. MAY I EXPRESS ON BEHALF OF MY GOVERNMENT OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCE FOR THE DEATH OF PILOT AND FIVE MEXICAN SOLDIERS ON SEPTEMBER 23 IN THE CRASH OF YOUR HELICOPTER AT TOPIA, DURANGO. THEIR DEATHS IN LINE OF DUTY, WHILE PARTICIPATING IN AN ERADICATION MISSION, REPRESENT THE CONTINUING RESOLVE AND DEVOTION OF YOUR GOVERNMENT TO OVERCOME OUR COMMON ENEMY OF DANGEROUS NARCOTICS. END.

2. WE ARE PRESENTLY TRYING TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY AND AVAILABILITY OF HELICOPTER REPLACEMENTS AND WILL  
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